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Sir:

This is a Request for filing a continued prosecution application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) of prior Application No. 08/841,318 entitled CONTROLLING METHOD FOR ELECTRONIC STILL CAMERA by the following named Inventor(s):

## Kouki HATAKEYAMA

- This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application, 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d)(4).
  - a. 

    DELETE the following inventor(s) named in the prior nonprovisional application:
  - b. The inventor(s) to be deleted are set forth on a separate sheet attached hereto.

The above-identified prior application, in which no payment of the issue fee, abandonment of, or termination of proceedings has occurred, is hereby expressly abandoned as of the filing date of this new application. Please use all of the contents of the prior application file wrapper, including the drawings, as the 11/23/1999 SDANG COUNTY TO THE NEW APPLICATION.

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- 1.  $\boxtimes$  Enter the Amendment previously filed October 22, 1999, under 37 C.F.R.  $\S$  1.116 but unentered, in the prior application.
- 2. 

  A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
- 3. An Information Disclosure Statement and PTO-1449 form(s) are attached hereto for the Examiner's consideration.
- 4. 
  A new power of attorney or authorization of agent is enclosed.

The filing fee is calculated on the basis of the claims existing in the prior application as amended at 1 and 2 above.

_			LARGE	ENTITY	SMALL	ENTITY
	BASIC FEE		\$760.00		\$380.00	
	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE	FEE	RATE	FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	10-20=	0	x 18 =	\$0.00	x 9 =	\$0.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	4-3=	1	x 78 =	\$78.00	x 39 =	\$0.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS PRESENTED			+ \$26	50.00	+ \$13	30.00
		TOTAL	\$83	8.00	\$0	.00

- 5. Small entity status:
  - A small entity statement is enclosed.
  - A small entity statement was filed in the prior nonprovisional application and such status is still proper and desired.
  - Is no longer claimed.
- 6. Priority of Application No(s). 8-113906 filed in Japan on May 8, 1996 is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119. See attached copy of the Letter claiming priority filed in the prior application on July 30, 1997.

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7.		Priority of International Appl. filed under the Patent Cooperation Treaty and Application No. filed in on under 35 U.S.C. § 119 are hereby reclaimed.
8.	$\boxtimes$	Address all future communications to:
		BIRCH, STEWART, KOLASCH & BIRCH, LLP P.O. Box 747 Falls Church, VA 22040-0747 Telephone: (703) 205-8000 or Customer No. 2292
9.		The applicant(s) hereby petition(s) for an extension of () month(s) pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136(a). The fee has been calculated as shown below:
		$\underline{\text{NO}}$ extensions of time have been previously obtained in the prior application. Thus, a fee of \$0.00 is required for the $\underline{\text{full period}}$ of the above-requested extension of time.
		An extension of one (1) month(s) was previously requested and paid for on October 22, 1999 in the prior application. Thus, a fee of \$270.00 is required to obtain an additional one (1) month(s) in order to establish co-pendency with the present application.
10.	$\boxtimes$	A check in the amount of \$1,108.00 is enclosed.
11.		Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. A triplicate copy of this request is enclosed.
12.		The filing fee is $\underline{\text{NOT}}$ attached. Please issue a Notice requesting the filing fee.
13.		Also enclosed herewith is the following:

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If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R.  $\S$  1.16 or under 37 C.F.R.  $\S$  1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

It is understood that secrecy under 35 U.S.C.  $\S$  122 is hereby waived to the extent that if information or access is available to any one of the applications in the file wrapper of a 37 C.F.R.  $\S$  1.53(d) application, be it either this application or a prior application in the same file wrapper, the Patent and Trademark Office may provide similar information or access to all of the other applications in the same file wrapper.

Respectfully submitted,

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